



Bourgeois Bennett

**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON**  
**APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**

July 6, 2009

Mr. Michel Claudet  
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Dear Mr. Claudet:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government (hereinafter referred to as the "Parish"), solely to provide assistance with respect to the requirements prescribed by the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality in connection with the "Local Government Financial Test" as described by Title 33, Part VII of the Environmental Regulatory Code. Such procedures were performed using the audited financial statements of the Parish as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008. We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Parish as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008 (none of which is presented herein), and we expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

Management of the Parish is responsible for the accounting records. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

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Our procedures and findings are as follows:

**Procedure I**

By using the audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2008, we calculated the following ratios for the Parish to determine if such ratios meet the minimum requirements as prescribed by Section 1303 I.1.a.ii of Title 33, Part VII.

- a. 
$$\frac{\text{Cash plus marketable securities}}{\text{Total expenditures}}$$
- b. 
$$\frac{\text{Annual debt service}}{\text{Total expenditures}}$$

**Finding I**

As a result of performing our calculations, we noted that the Parish's ratio of cash plus marketable securities to total expenditures is 1.13 as of December 31, 2008. This amount is greater than the required minimum of .05 as prescribed by Section 1303 I.1.a.ii of Title 33, Part VII. Furthermore, the Parish's ratio of annual debt service to total expenditures is .05 for the year ended December 31, 2008. This amount is less than the allowable maximum of .20 as prescribed by Section 1303 I.1.a.ii of Title 33, Part VII. These calculations are illustrated in Exhibit 1 of this report. Based on this information, the Parish adequately meets the applicable requirement as prescribed by Section 1303 I.1.a.ii of Title 33, Section VII for the year ended December 31, 2008.

**Procedure II**

We read the Parish's financial statements for year ended December 31, 2008, in particular the independent auditor's report, to ascertain that the financial statements were prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as to governmental units.

**Finding II**

In reading the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2008, we noted that the independent auditor's report stated that such financial statements were "...in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America." Based on the auditor's opinion, the Parish adequately meets the applicable requirement as prescribed by Title 33, Section VII for the year ended December 31, 2008.

### Procedure III

We read the financial statements of the Parish for the year ended December 31, 2008 to determine that the following representations are true with respect to the financial position of the Parish:

- a. The Parish has **NOT** operated at a deficit equal to five percent or more of total annual revenue for the year ended December 31, 2008.
- b. The Parish has **NOT** received an audit opinion other than unqualified from the independent certified public accountant (or appropriate state agency).

### Finding III

In reading the Parish's financial statements for year ended December 31, 2008, we noted that the Parish did not operate at a deficit equal to five percent or more of total annual revenue for the year ended December 31, 2008. Based on this information, it appears that the Parish adequately meets the applicable requirement as prescribed by Title 33, Section VII for the year ended December 31, 2008.

In reading the Parish's independent auditor's report for the year ended December 31, 2008, we noted that the Parish received an "unqualified" audit opinion. Based on this information, the Parish adequately meets the applicable requirement as prescribed by Title 33, Section VII for the year ended December 31, 2008.

As part of this engagement, we were not engaged to, and did not, perform an audit, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion, on the Parish's ability to meet the requirements of the "Local Government Financial Test" as prescribed by Title 33, Section VII of the Environmental Regulatory Code. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

*Bourgeois Bennett, L.L.C.*

Certified Public Accountants

Houma, Louisiana,  
July 6, 2009

**Terrebonne Parish C&D Landfill Facility**  
**Local Government Financial Test**  
**Ratio Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2008**

**Exhibit 1**

<u>Cash + Marketable Securities</u>	=	1.13	Ratio is greater than .05 and therefore passes test
Total Expenditures			
\$ 192,409,510			
\$ 169,885,400			
<u>Annual Debt Service</u>	=	0.05	Ratio is less than .20 and therefore passes test
Total Expenditures			
\$ 8,337,610			
\$ 169,885,400			